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Applicants: Henry K. Hui et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE  
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to  
extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 15, 2004 for  
two(2) month(s) from June 15, 2004 to August 15, 2004. An Amendment responding  
to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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